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The meeting was called to order at noon.

Agenda item 5: Election of the officers of the Main Committees

1. **The Chairperson** recalled that in accordance with rule 99 (a) of the rules of procedure, as amended by General Assembly resolutions 56/509, paragraph 2 (c), and 58/126, annex B, paragraph 9, all the Main Committees were required to elect a chairman and a full bureau at least three months before the opening of the session.

2. Mr. Benmehidi (Algeria) had been nominated for election to the office of Chairperson for the sixty-fourth session. In the absence of further nominations and in accordance with rule 103 of the rules of procedure, he would take it that the Committee wished to elect Mr. Benmehidi (Algeria) Chairperson.

3. *Mr. Benmehidi (Algeria) was elected Chairperson by acclamation.*

4. **The Chairperson** said that the Group of Asian States and the Group of Eastern European States had nominated, respectively, Mr. Baghaei Hamaneh (Islamic Republic of Iran) and Mr. Stastoli (Albania) for the posts of Vice-Chairpersons and the Group of Western European and Other States had nominated Mr. Cartuyvels (Belgium) for the post of Rapporteur. The Group of Latin American and Caribbean States had yet to nominate its candidate.

5. *Mr. Baghaei Hamaneh (Islamic Republic of Iran) and Mr. Stastoli (Albania) were elected Vice-Chairpersons and Mr. Cartuyvels (Belgium) was elected Rapporteur by acclamation.*

6. **Mr. Benmehidi** (Algeria) thanked the Group of Asian States for nominating him and the Committee for electing him. As Chairperson, he would work with all delegations in full transparency.

The meeting rose at 12.10 p.m.